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IN RE APPLICATION OF :

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FOR: METHODS FOR OBTAINING
THERMOSTABLE ENZYMES, DNA
POLYMERASE I VARIANTS FROM
THERMUS AQUATICUS HAVING NEW
CATALYTIC ACTIVITIES, METHODS
FOR OBTAINING THE SAME, AND
APPLICATIONS TO THE SAME

## RESPONSE TO THE REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Requirement for Restriction mailed June 12, 2009, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I: Group I, Claims 1-18, 65 and 66, drawn to a polynucleotide.

Applicants request that the Examiner expand the search to the non-elected claims of Groups II-V, Claims 19-64, if the elected Group I claims are found allowable.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.